



# Galveston Bay Council Quarterly Meeting

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# GCPD Purpose

- Created by the Texas Legislature in 2021 - Senate Bill 1160 87 (R)
- Special Purpose District
- Purpose – for the portions of the Coastal Texas and Sabine to Galveston programs located within GCPD territory:
  1. To serve as the non-federal sponsor in partnership with the USACE
  2. To provide the required non-federal cost share
  3. To operate and maintain the facilities once constructed.



# Legislative / Appropriations History

- 2019, SB 500: \$200M
- 2021, SB 1: \$200M
- 2023, HB 1: \$550M

# District Territory / Projects

~5,500 square miles  
~5.5 million people



**Our Mission: To protect Texas Gulf Coast communities, the environment, and economic activity from storm surge**



-  S2G Program - Orange County Project
-  S2G Program - Port Arthur Project
-  Coastal Texas Program



# Non-Federal Sponsor Responsibilities



Coordinate with the USACE, project partners, and the broader community

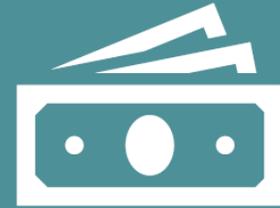
Support planning, design, and construction efforts led by the USACE



Investigate and manage HTRW within lands needed for the project



Acquire lands, easements, rights-of way and disposal areas for the project and complete necessary utility relocations



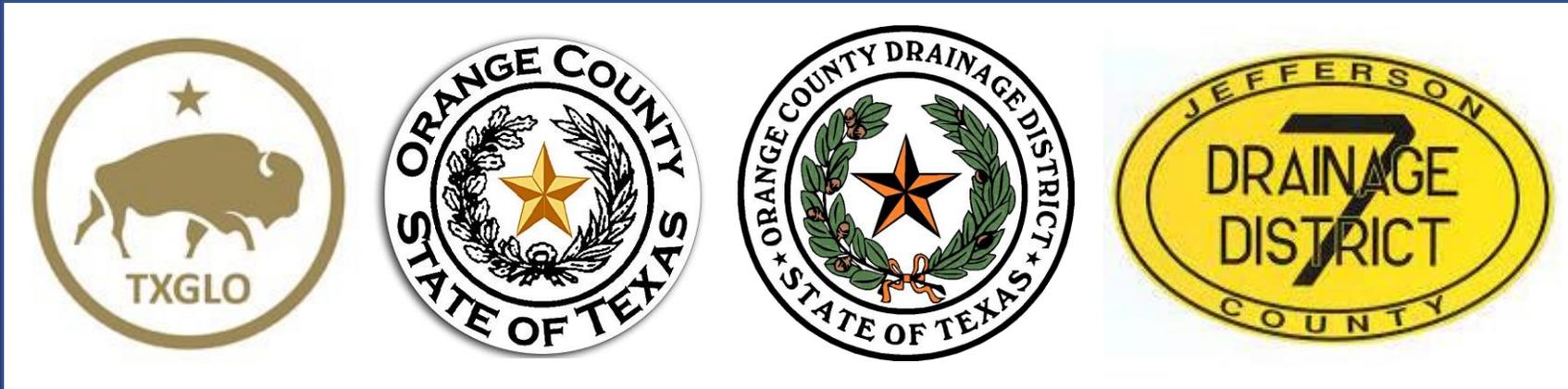
Provide 35% of design and construction costs



Operate and maintain the project upon completion

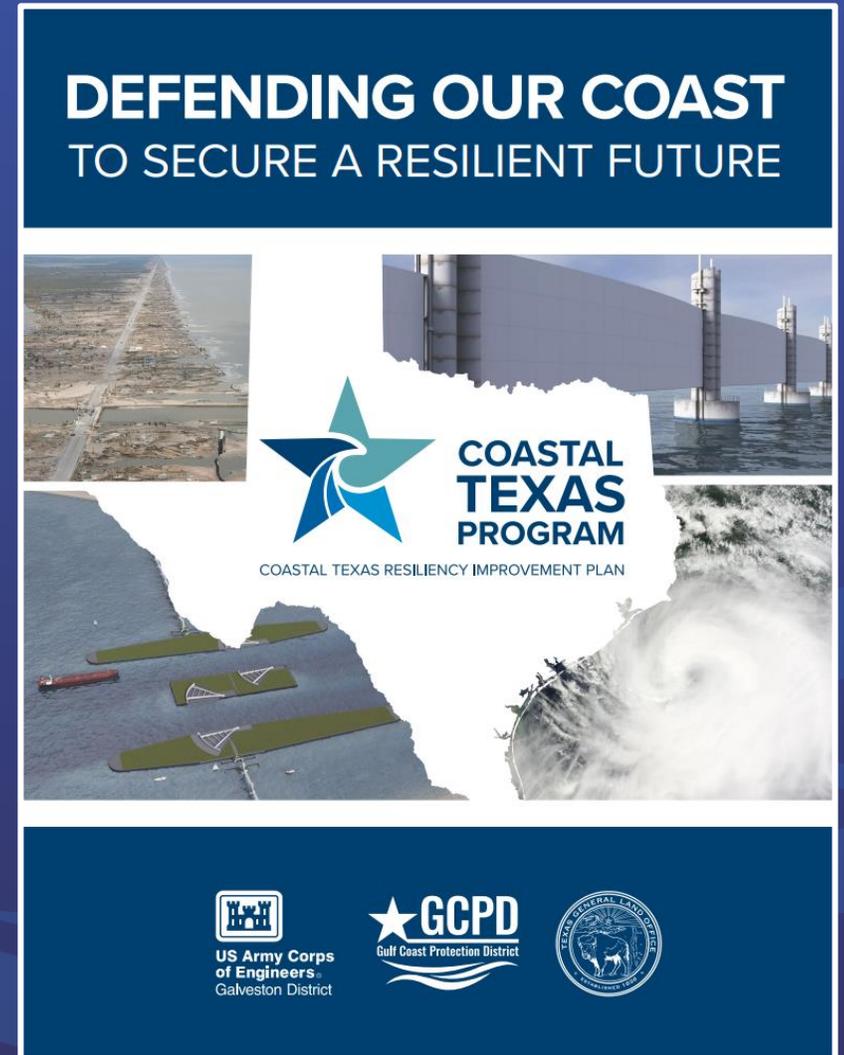
# Non-Federal Agreements

- Texas General Land Office
- Orange County
- Orange County Drainage District
- Jefferson County Drainage District. No 7

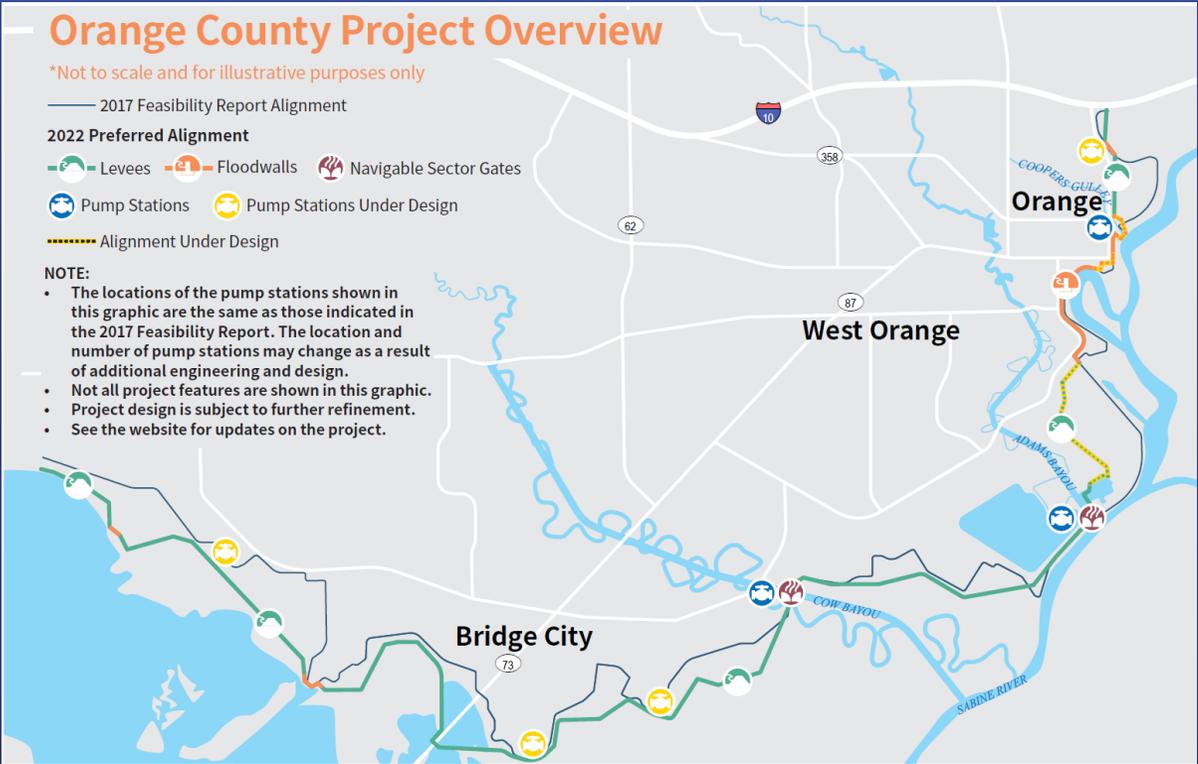


# Coastal Texas Program Status

- December 2022 - NDAA/WRDA 2022
  - Authorized Coastal Texas Program for construction
- USACE and GCPD pursuing initial Federal appropriations to jump-start the program
- USACE and GCPD negotiating agreements for upcoming phases of design and construction
- USACE and GCPD hiring

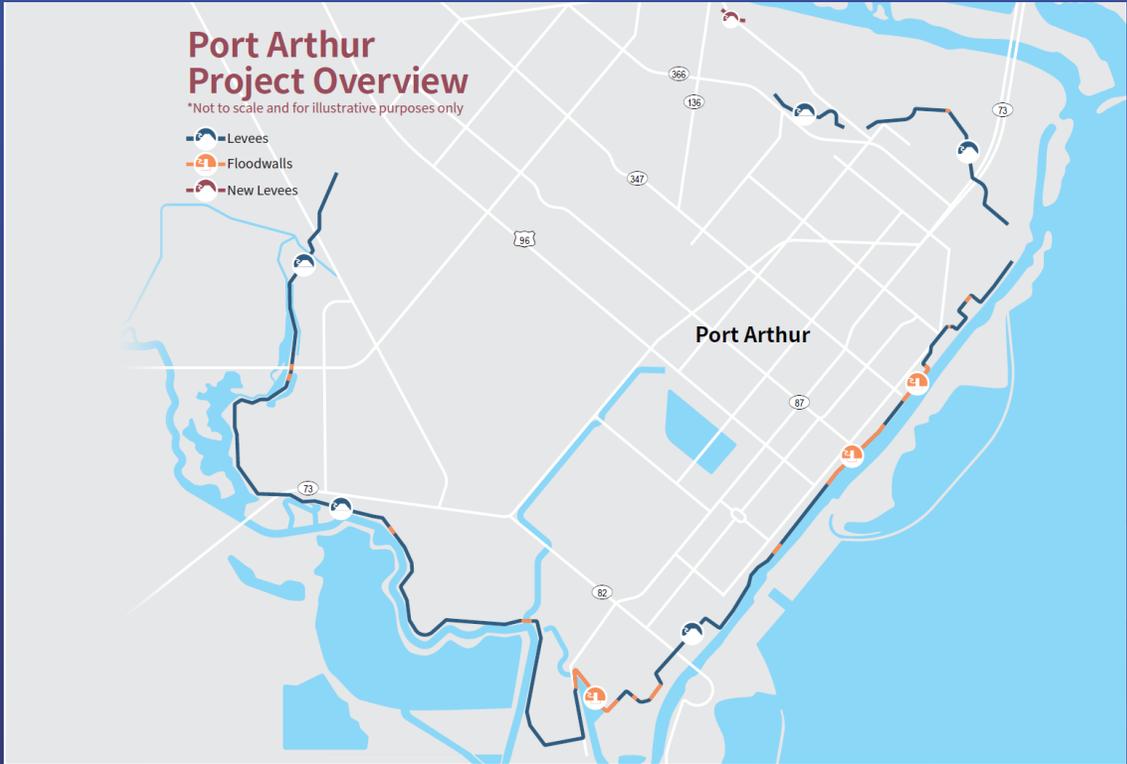


# S2G Program Status



## Orange County Project

(in design)



## Port Arthur Project

(in design and construction)

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